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TAGS: OVIP (HENRY A. KISSINGER)

SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S VISIT TUNIS

REF: RABAT 4862; TUNIS 6216

1. FURTHER CONVERSATION WITH MOFA CHIEF OF PROTOCOL ABDENNEBI

THIS MORNING AFTER RECEIPT RABAT 4862 LEAD US BELIEVE  
THAT SCENARIO FOR SECRETARY'S VISIT WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:

A. AIRCRAFT WILL BE MET ON ARRIVAL BY FONMIN MASMOUDI,  
NEWLY APPOINTED MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS  
ABDELAZIZ HAMZAOU (APPOINTMENT ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY),  
ALI HEDDA, CHIEF OF CABINET OF PRIME MINISTER AND  
AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE TO WASHINGTON, AMBASSADOR AL GOULLI,  
ABDENNEBI AND PERHAPS CHIEF OF PALACE PROTOCOL  
ABDELMAJID KAROU. ABDENNEBI WILL MOUNT STEPS TO  
AIRCRAFT DOOR AS SOON AS DOOR OPENED AND LEAD  
SECRETARY TO GROUP WAITING AT FOOT STAIRS. AFTER  
INTRODUCTIONS MADE, SECRETARY AND MASMOUDI WILL  
REVIEW HONOR GUARD EN ROUTE TO CAR (SECRETARY  
SHAKES HAND OF HONOR GUARD CAPTAIN). NEWSOM,  
AMBASSADOR AND TOUMAYAN WILL PROCEED DIRECTLY TO  
WAITING CARS.

B. CAR NUMBER ONE WILL HAVE SECRETARY, MASMOUDI AND  
TOUMAYAN. WE UNDERSTAND CAR WHICH WE TOLD HAS JUMP  
SEAT IS PRESIDENT'S MERCEDES. CAR NUMBER TWO WILL  
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TRANSPORT NEWSOM AND HAMZAOU (POSSIBLY ABDENNEBI

AS WELL.) CAR NUMBER THREE WILL TRANSPORT AMBASSADOR  
AND EL GOULLI. ALI HEDDA WILL FOLLOW IN CAR  
NUMBER FOUR.

C. TUNISIAN PRESENT AT PALACE MEETING WILL BE PRESIDENT,  
PRIME MINISTER, MASMOUDI, HAMZAoui, EL GOULLI, HEDDA  
AND HABIB CHATTI, DIRECTOR OF PRESIDENTS OFFICE.

D. FOLLIWNG DEPARTURE OF CORTEGE FROM AIRPORT, FIVE  
EMBASSY CARS WILL BE IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE TO TRANSPORT  
MCCLOSKEY AND PRESS TO PALACE. GROUP WILL BE  
ACCOMPANIED BY EMBASSY PAO DAVID STRATMON. GOT  
EXPECTS PROVIDE SOMEONE TO BE AT PALACE WITH  
MCCLOSKEY WHILE GROUP OF PRINCIPALS IS MEETING  
WITH PRESIDENT. WE HAVE TOLD TUNISIANS THAT MEETING  
WITH PRESIDENT WILL NOT BE DELAYED PENDING ARRIVAL OF  
AMERICAN PRESS AT PALACE.

E. WE STILL EXPECT MEDIA WILL BE WAITING FOR SECRETARY  
AT PALACE WHEN HE EMERGES FROM MEETING.

F. UPON RETURN TO AIRPORT, SECRETARY WILL REVIEW HONOR  
GUARD AGAIN (EN ROUTE TO AIRCRAFT) AND DEPART.

2. TUNISIAN GIFTS FOR SECRETARY, NEWSOM AND SISCO WILL BE  
RUGS.

3. FOR NEWSOM: YOUR APPOINTMENT WITH PRIMIN NOUIRA HAS  
BEEN CHANGED TO 0900 NOV 7. MEETING WITH MASMOUDI WILL  
FOLLOW IMMEDIATELY AFTERWARD. MY LUNCH IS SET FOR 1300.  
ANTICIPATE SMALL LATE DINNER THIS EVENING INVOLVING  
YOURSELF, ME, JOSIF, BLAKE (IF HE'S HERE) AND TIENKEN.  
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